BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 97-141-T - ORDER NO. 97-1051

DECEMBER 23, 1997

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IN RE: Application of KB Enterprises, Inc. DBA)	ORDER
Two Men and a Truck, 3007 Broad River)	GRANTING
Road, Suite E, Columbia, SC 29210)	CERTIFICATE
(Mailing Address: P. O. Box 2507,)	
West Columbia, SC 29171), for a Class E)	
Certificate of Pubic Convenience and)	
Necessity.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Application of KB Enterprises, Inc. DBA Two Men and a Truck (the Company), 3007 Broad River Road, Suite E, Columbia, SC 29210 (Mailing Address: P. O. Box 2507, West Columbia, SC 29171), to amend its Class E Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 9494-A which now reads as follows:

NEW FURNITURE AND APPLIANCES FOR MANUFACTURERS AND RETAIL OUTLETS; AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS, AS DEFINED IN R.103-211(14):

Between Points and Places in Aiken, Calhoun, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lexington, Newberry, Orangeburg, Richland, Saluda and Sumter Counties.

The Company originally proposed to amend its Certificate to read as follows:

HOUSEHOLD GOODS, AS DEFINED IN R.103-210(1):

Between Points and Places in South Carolina.

On the witness stand, the scope of authority requested was amended to read as follows:

HOUSEHOLD GOODS, AS DEFINED IN R.103-210(1):

Between Points and Places in Aiken, Calhoun, Fairfield, Kershaw,
Lexington, Newberry, Orangeburg, Richland, Saluda and Sumter Counties
to Points and Places in South Carolina.

The Commission's Executive Director required the Company to publish a Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the area in which the service is sought one time. The Notice informed the public of ways to participate in the proceedings in this case before the Commission. The Company sent in an Affidavit to show compliance with the directives of the Executive Director. Petitions to Intervene were filed by Chavis Moving and Storage, Inc. and Smith Dray Line, Inc. The Petitions to Intervene were later withdrawn.

A hearing was held on this matter on December 10, 1997 at 10:30 a.m. in the offices of the Commission, with the Honorable Guy Butler, Chairman, presiding. Two Men and a Truck was represented by John F. Beach, Esquire. Two Men and a Truck presented the testimony of Roger Boyer, Tara Kareh-Boyer, Les Wilson, Jr., and Sally Caughman. The Commission Staff (the Staff) was represented by F. David Butler, General Counsel. Staff presented no witnesses.

Roger Boyer testified that, at present, his Company has twenty (20) full-time employees, three (3) part-time employees, and seven (7) trucks. Boyer testified that his drivers take a 40-hour training program. Boyer noted that there has been an increase in demand caused by economic growth in the State of South Carolina. Boyer testified as to

the maintenance program undertaken by his Company, and also testified as to the proposed rate increase with regard to the tariff. Boyer noted that there were no outstanding judgements against the Company.

Tara Kareh-Boyer testified that she does the accounting for the Company, plans the advertising, keeps in touch with the clients, assists in quality control, and conducts employees reviews. Ms. Boyer discussed the insurance possessed by the Company. Ms. Boyer stated that the Company is a member of the Better Business Bureau, The Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce, and the Claims Prevention and Procedure Council.

Les Wilson, Jr., a Customer Service Representative for Two Men and a Truck, testified that he receives requests for moves to Greenville and Charleston, and other points which are outside the present service area at the rate of some four to five calls a day.

Sally Caughman, President of Pulliam-Morris Interiors, testified. Ms. Caughman noted that her company had the need to hire household goods movers from time-to-time, and that Two Men and a Truck had done a good job consistently for her company.

Further, Ms. Caughman testified that there was a need for a mover from Columbia to Charleston and other areas, and that Two Men and a Truck had always provided good service to her company. She also testified that the public convenience and necessity would be served by giving Two Men and a Truck the expanded authority.

Upon examination of the Application, the representations contained therein, the documentary evidence attached thereto, and the testimony in the hearing, the Commission finds that Two Men and a Truck is fit, willing, and able to perform the

expanded services proposed in the proposed amendment to its Certificate to the public.

We also find that based on the evidence in the case, the granting of the Amended

Certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. Further, we believe that
the tariff increase proposed by Two Men and a Truck should be granted as filed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Amended Application for a Class E Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity be and hereby is approved, as amended for authority to transport Household Goods Between Points and Places in Aiken, Calhoun, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lexington, Newberry, Orangeburg, Richland, Saluda and Sumter Counties to Points and Places in South Carolina, and that the proposed tariff increase is granted.
- 2. That the Applicant file the proper license fees and other information required by S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-23-10 et seq. (1976), as amended, and by R.103-100 through R.103-280 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers, S.C. Code Ann. Vol. 26 (1976), as amended, within sixty (60) days of the date of this Order or within such additional time as may be authorized by the Commission.
- 3. That upon compliance with S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-23-10, et seq. (1976), as amended, and the applicable provisions of R.103-100 through R.103-280 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers, S.C. Code Ann., Vol. 26 (1976), as amended, a Certificate shall be issued to the Applicant authorizing the motor carrier services granted herein.
- 4. That prior to compliance with such requirements and receipt of an Amended Certificate, the motor carrier services authorized herein may not be provided.

5. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Depaty Executive Director

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